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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM INDOCHINA

FOLLOWING IS RESETTLEMENT SUMMARY OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM
INDOCHINA RECEIVED FROM UNHCR JAN. 27, 1976. QUOTE

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FOLLOWING SUMMARY RESETTLEMENT POSITION DISPLACED PERSONS FROM
INDOCHINA KNOWN UNHCR GENEVA AS OF 31 DECEMBER 1975: A. OF MORE
THAN 250,000 DISPLACED PERSONS OUTSIDE COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN
FOLLOWING EVENTS INDOCHINA EARLY 1975 DURABLE SOLUTIONS NOW
FOUND FOR SOME 170,000 AS FOLLOWS: 138,000 PERSONS SETTLED
LOCALLY, MAINLY IN USA 31,000 RESETTLED TO THIRD COUNTRIES FROM
COUNTRIES OF FIRST ASYLUM AND 1,700 REPATRIATED. B. PRINCIPAL
RESETTLEMENT TO THIRD COUNTRIES IS TO USA 12,500 PERSONS,
FRANCE 9,300 CANADA 5,400 AND MALAYSIA 1,200. C. SOME 20,000
DISPLACED PERSONS FROM INDOCHINA PRESENTLY REGISTERED WITH UNHCR
AWAITING RESETTLEMENT TO THIRD COUNTRIES. THESE PERSONS
MAINLY IN THAILAND WHERE TOTAL ARRIVALS 88,638 OF WHOM 12,755
RESETTLED TO THIRD COUNTRIES AND 18,183 STILL SEEKING RE-
SETTLEMENT OPPORTUNITIES. OTHER PRINCIPAL AREAS CONCENTRATION
ARE:

PHILIPPINES 258 (FROM TOTAL ARRIVALS 1,533)

LAOS 82 (" " " 355)

HONG KONG 78 (" " " 4,045)

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KOREA REP. OF 73 (" " " 1,278)

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| SINGAPORE | 56 (" " " 1,884) |
| JAPAN | 48 (" " " 98) |
| INDONESIA | 39 (" " " 103) |
| MALAYSIA | 13 (" " " 2,818) |

FURTHERMORE 541 REPORTED SEEKING RESETTLEMENT FROM FRANCE.
PLEASE NOTE FURTHER STATISTICS EXPECTED FROM BANGKOK WHICH MAY
ALTER ABOVE THAI FIGURES.

D. AS YOU AWARE FRANCE CONTINUING TO ACCEPT APPROXIMATELY
1,000 PERSONS PER MONTH FOR RESETTLEMENT. FED REP GERMANY ALSO
ANNOUNCED QUOTA OF 1,000 BUT UNDER PRESENT CRITERIA FEW PERSONS
SOUTH EAST ASIA ELIGIBLE. AUSTRALIA ALSO RECENTLY ANNOUNCED
FURTHER QUOTA 800 PERSONS TO BE SELECTED PRINCIPALLY FROM
THAILAND. E. APART FROM ABOVE NO MAJOR RESETTLEMENT MOVEMENTS
OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM INDOCHINA CURRENTLY TAKING PLACE.
FURTHER PLACES THEREFORE MOST URGENTLY NEEDED PARTICULARLY WITH
CONTINUING INFLUX INTO THAILAND AND VERY LIMITED RESETTLEMENT
OFFERS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, IF DETERIORATION PRESENT SITUATION
TO BE AVOIDED. UNHCR GENEVA

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